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City of Falls Church Police Department Earns Accreditation Status

At the October 9 City Council Meeting, the City of Falls Church Police Department was awarded the Certification of Accreditation (Second Award) in recognition of their successful completion of the certification process through the Virginia Law Enforcement Accreditation Program.

To obtain accreditation, a law enforcement agency must meet all applicable program standards, maintain their accreditation files on an on-going basis, and provide annual verifications of compliance as required by the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission. For an agency to maintain accredited status, an intensive on-site assessment of its policies and operations is required every four years to assure that the agency remains in compliance.

All accreditation programs are designed to verify an agency's compliance with the professional standards applicable to their discipline or profession. It is one of the only means by which citizens and government leaders can be assured that an agency is maintaining a high level of performance and service to the community. By achieving and maintaining their accredited status, the Falls Church Police Department has demonstrated their commitment to excellence and their willingness to be evaluated to the highest standards of the law enforcement profession.

Related Links:

- Photo of Accreditation Presentation: <http://bit.ly/Omoq39>

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